

# CROSSWAYS

The 'Crossways', was built in the early 1920's and was up until recently one of Marysville's most lively places for music, supper, drinks and dances.

For some years the local nurses, Miss Bolam and Miss McGowan, ran the '*Crossways Amusement Centre*' before selling it to the Cuzens family, who built the '*Kooringa*' guesthouse.

For many years musicians played at the 'Crossways' free of charge every Monday and Thursday evening and their cheery melodies attracted visitors into the venue, where they could sample delicious cakes, pastries and refreshing drinks.

The 1920's was also a key period in the town's development as a tourist destination and half of all the money raised by the 'Crossways' during the musicians performances went to the '*Marysville Tourist and Progress Association*', for use in their 'track fund', which was used to pay workers to maintain the many scenic walking tracks in the area.

The 'Crossways' was miraculously saved by co-owner Greg Cherry during the 2009 Black Saturday bushfire and later provided much needed refuge to the Marysville community and fire-fighters, in the days after the fires.